POSTSCRIPT

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INDICT SIX **BIG STEEL**

Charge Corporations With Fixing Laborers' Wages.

U. S. Company Head Included in Grand Jury Grist.

RESULT OF STRIKE RIOT PROBE

Indict East Youngstown Mayor

Unable to Locate Blame for

Youngstown, Ohio, March 8 .- Indictments were returned today against the Youngstown Sheet and Tube comcompany, the Brier Hill Steel company, the Youngstown Iron and Steel com-company, the Carnegie Steel com-pany, the U. S. Steel company, and Judge E. H. Gary, executive chairman of the U. S. Steel company, charging them with having formed a trust to

them with having formed a trust to fix the wages of common labor in violation of the laws of Ohio.

These indictments followed an investigation of the East Youngstown riots and labor troubles of January.

The specific offense charged against the six steel concerns is that they conspired to keep the wages, in January, of common labor at the same figure as the Republic Irou and Steel company and the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company. Announcement was made by all these companies within two days' time of a ten per cent increase in wages. This action is held to be due to an agreement.

Town Officials for Graft.

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Seeping neutral trade from German ports and is making German exports.

Exclusive Contractive Contrac

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The report says the grand jury was unable to find that the influence of any foreign government was responsible for the fot. The alleged combination of manufacturers with the intent to keep down the wages of intent to keep down the wages of common labor is criticised.

Here this afternoom. Two hundred particular to say for any layer and laymen are in attendance.

Denies Through Rates.

Washington, March 8.—The interstate commerce commission today denied the application of the Kansas common labor is criticised.

Gary Enraged at Indictment. Youngstown against himself, Judge Elbert H. Gary Issued the following

"There are no facts to justify the indictment returned by the Mahoning county jury against the companies or any of the officers. The indictment is an outrage—travesty."

VILLA UP AGAINST IT

U. S. Border Patrol Watching for Bandit General in Flight.

El Paso, March 5.—United States patrol along the New Mexico-Mexican border continued a sharp watch today for Francisco Villa, who last night was reported at Palomas, 35 miles south of Columbus, N. M., with 400

Fair tonight and Thursday, warmer tonight and in the easiern part of the stat Thursday.

BOY, 3, KILLS SISTER, 7, PLAYING WITH RIFLE

Lawton, March 8 .- Richard Jenn'ngs, three years old, picked up a small target rifle at the Jennings home near here today and play-fully pointed at his seven-year-old

sister, Hazel. "Don't shoot me, Richard," the little sirl pleaded in mock fear. A moment later the weapon was dis-charged and Hazel fell dead at her

But Wait Boys She Can't Wed More Than One

Minneapolis, Minn., March 8.—
Two thousand male students of the University of Minnesota to-day were on a still hunt for the girl who has informed the faculty she would wed on \$500 a year. The declaration came following a discussion of the family budget, in Prof. Sydney Patchin's class in Prof. Sydney Patchin Prof. S

Capt. C. E. Leonard Was Owner of

\$38,900, the highest price ever paid

A MAYOR ON TRIAL

Wichita, Kan., March 8.—Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkeild of New Orleans, La., is presiding at the annual southwest Kansas conference of the Meth odist Episcopal church, which met here this afternoon. Sessions will con-tinue until Monday. Two hundred pas-

nied the application of the Kansas City Southern, the Missouri Pacific, the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern, and the St. Louis & Southwestern railroads to maintain through rates from point on their lines to points in Louisiana and Texas in excess of the aggregate of intermediate rates.

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Forestall Anti-Fight Bill.

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Jail Electric Albany, Detween to long, Ten houses and many smaller buildings have been destroyed. The changling of the wind today is in favor of the fire fighters and they are makternly weighing 1,325 pounds at \$9.50. The blaze that started south of Kingsdown yesterday has been price ever paid for steers here in March. A part of the Longenecker consignment went to a New York City packing concern.

Two Bad Fires Burning.

ANOTHER ROUND OF MISSIVES IN **U-BOAT EPISODE**

German Ambassador Delivers Document to Lansing.

President Into Note-Fest, Preparing New Reply.

ENGLAND FORCED U-BOAT LAW

Are Lusitania and Armed Ship Rule Connected?

CATTLE BREEDER DEAD Disagree on This and Continue to Split Hairs.

Capt. C. E. Leonard Was Owner of Oldest Short Horn Herd.

Boonville. Mo., March 8.—Captain Reign of Anarchy.

Boonville. Mo., March 8.—Captain Charles E. Leonard, one of the leading short horn breeders in the United States and said to be the owner of the coldest herd, died here today. He was oungstown Sheet and Tube commissioners were returned today against oungstown Sheet and Tube commissioners were returned today against oungstown Sheet and Tube commissioners were returned today against oungstown Sheet and Tube commissioners were returned today against oungstown Sheet and Steel oun The fact that the memorandum was of state funds.

central powers intended to starve their civil population.

Grab German Citizens.

"(E) Germans met by our enemies on the high seas are deprived of their liberty no matter whether they are combatants or non-combatants.

"(F) Our enemies have armed their merchant vessels for offensipurpose theoretically, making it impossible to use our U-boats, according to the principles set forth in the London declaration.

"The English white book' of Jan. 5, 1916, on the restriction of German (Continued on Page 2.)

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Tex. Governor Got His Start Hopping Bells

Austin, Tex., March S.—James E. Ferguson, chief executive of the state of Texas, banker-farmer, and one time rallroad section-hand and bridge builder, was in his younger days a bellboy in a Denver, Colo., hotel.

That portion of the governor's interesting life was made known a few days ago, when Mr. Ferguson replied to an inquiry of the governor of Colorado.

Governor Ferguson said he hoped to return to Denver some day, where he was a bellboy in a hotel in 1888, and a waiter in a restaurant on Seventeenth street. While the governor was at the hotel he received a \$10 tip from Jack Dempsey, the prize fighter.

OFFICIALS

Charges Against Eleven by Texas Grand Jury.

Ford County.

Change of Wind Helps Fighters Control Flames.

Murdered by Bandits Near

Pechaco Last Monday.

Dodge City, Kan., March 8.—Telephone messages from the town of Bloom, in Ford county, today said the prairie fire that began near there late yesterday still was burning. The fire already has burned over a territory and Wright, were killed Monday at Pechaco, by Villa bandits, between Casas Grandes and Janos, Chihuahua.

County, Kan., sold eighty-six steers are county, Kan., sold eighty-six steers are serving to the fire fighters and they are mak-

BIG 10-STORY BUILDING FOR TOPEKA IS PLAN

National President K. & L. of S. Favors Proposition.

W. B. Kirkpatrick Will Urge Matter Before Convention.

MORE GENERAL OFFICES HERE

Increased Force as Result of President's Plans.

Structure Would Be Fireproof -Cost at \$300,000.

indictments charging misapplication asked and tentative plans have been of state funds.

The proposal for the new

The fact that the memorandum was delivered today was regarded as significant as it follows immediately the vote of congress to leave all international negotiations in the hands of the president and state department.

In addition to setting forth the reasons for the decree that armed ships are to be sunk without warning the memorandum renews the suggestion that concessions by the allies regarding the arming of merchantmen might modify the German order.

England's Violations.

This suggestion is taken to indicate that Germany hopes the United States may resume her efforts toward bringing the allies to agree to disarm all merchant ships and permit further discussion of the question.

"Germany faces these facts," the document reads in reviewing the acts which forced Germany to inaugmate the new drastic submarine raid campaign:

"(A) A blockade contrary to inter-

"that Germany will be content to allow her fleet to lie impotent and derided in the Kiel canal, We must assume that something has happened in German naval yards and that Germany has completed all her prositive Firemen and Enginemen, L. E. Sheppard, acting president and A. E. Sheppard, acting president and A. E. Sheppard, acting president and A. E. tive Firemen and Enginemen, L. E. Sheppard, acting president and A. D.

NEW HAMPSHIRE MAN TURNING TO STONE



Byron Avery.

Byron Avery of Ellsworth, N. H., is a living man who is actually turnstone. For twenty years he has not moved a muscle. Slow ossifica tion started years before that. Gradually he lost the use of every limb.

Nothing by Visit to Europe.

Purpose of Mission.

to the necessity for pence.
Second, Colonel House was in-structed to obtain definitely from

the English cabinet or its repre

sentative, Great Britain's last word as to a modification of her blockade. The object of this was to determine what hope there was for the reopening of the subject of getting feodstuffs into Ger-many which this government has considered to be an international

400,000 Railroad Men, 80 Wilson's Envoy Accomplished Per Cent Favor It.

May Result in Tieup of 528 Administration Official Tells Railroads.

Garrettson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors, and W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. **MERCURY TOOK A SLIDE**

Temperature Was 3 Degrees Below Normal This Morning.

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But Giant German Nutcracket Closes Jaws Tighter.

Day's Advances Greatest Since Verdun Began.

AWAIT CHARGE TO HEIGHTS

Climax in Terrific Battle Tomorrow or Friday.

French Recapture Campagne Trenches Lost Monday.

London, March 8 .- The giant German "nut cracker" has closed in still more tightly upon Verdun, the German war office re-

ported this afternoon. The village of Renneville, 7 miles northwest of Verdun, was captured last night by the right wing of the German encircling army.

army.

Berlin also announced the capture of the village of Forges, a mile west of Regneville, whose loss had been previously admitted by the French; the seizing of a French position west of the Meuse, on both sides of the Forges Brook, below Bethincourt, six kilometers wide and three kilometers deep; also the capture of 58 officers; 3.277 men and ten cannon, and adds that in the Weevre district today the French were driven out of the last houses they held in the village of Fresnes. More than 700 prisoners were taken. were taken.

Left Wing Active.

AGREEMENT EXPIRES MAR. 31

DIDN'T PRESS PEAGE PLAN

Wilson-Congress Split Result of Colonel's Failure.

Would Mean Yearly Increase Expense of 100 Million.

Chicago, March 5.— More than 50 per cent of the 400,000 railway employees of the country favor demanding an eight hour day with time and a half for overtime when their sign agreement with the roads expire March 31, it was indicated today when union leaders met here to tabulate the referendum vote on the question.

Leaders of the employees are said to be opposed to arbitrating their differences, although they express the beautiful to the opposed to arbitrating their differences, although they express the beautiful to be not to be not to be proposed to arbitrating their differences, although they express the beautiful to be not be n

What He was to Do,
First, Colonel House was to
make no proposition of any kind
at any European capital on the
subject of peace. He was, however, to draw out as adroitly as
he could from German, French
and English authorities wh. I were
the views of the chancellories us
to the necessity for peace. villages. French Recapture Trench.

Prench Recapture Trench.

Paris, March S.—In the Champagne the French have recaptured portions of the trenches lost on March 6, according to semiofficial announcement made here today.

The situation north of Verdun is unchanged. No infantry attacks were made last night, the announcement says. Artillery fighting continues.

Have 200 000 in New York Have 300,000 in Fray. It is known here that the Germans set aside 300,000 men to capture Ver-dun. Only 200,000 having been em-

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right.

Third, to ascertain the last word from Germany as to her modification of her reprisals by submarine warfare against the British blockade.

It was pointed out that the developments in Europe which caused the split between the president and congress followed almost immediately the (Continued on Page 2.) Referendum of Union Miners Will Be Held on New Wage Agreement.